## CHURCH NOTES.

Remember the services on Thanksgiving day. We have much this year to thank God for.

The Harvest Home and Thanksgiving at Dunsford early in October was a very successful and pleasant gathering.

Mr. and Mrs. Barber, of Alliston, have moved to Lindsay. We hope to see them regularly at St. Paul's.

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The Young Men's Association invite you to a concert in the School House on the evening of Thanksgiving day.

A strong parish is not necessarily one where there are many rich people, but where the people are strong in faith and rich in good works.

The Rev. J. M. Jones, formerly of Minder, is improving in health. He is staying with a sister in Wales, and, with rest and country air, is slowly gaining strength.

We saw a young woman with two dead birds in her bonnet the other day. Some varieties of our most beautiful birds are almost becoming extinct owing to the thoughtless cruelty of women.

The Rev. J. R. S. Boyd, who leaves this month for China, received a purse from All Saints' Church, Toronto, where he had been curate for three years, containing \$300. Such a kind remembrance will help to pay his expenses to that far-off land.

Dion Boucicault, the famous playwright, asserts that "more than \$200,000,000 are paid every year by the American people for their theatrical entertainments." That means nearly \$18 to support the theatre for \$1 given to send the Gospel to heathen nations; and yet there are those who declaim against the cost of Foreign Missions.

The last Sunday of November (24th) is the anniversary of the opening of St. Paul's Church. There will be special services (D.V.) morning, afternoon and evening. It was hoped that Canon Richardson would be the preacher, but we are afraid now that he will not be able to be with us. The oftertory will be for the reduction of the floating debt, which is rather more than \$700 and is bearing interest at seven per cent. We hope all our friends will make a self-denying effort to wipe this out. It can be done if we all do our best, and save up from now till then.

Miss A. B. Marsh, who has gone to the McKenzie River diocese, writing from Fort Chipewyan, en route, gives some inter-esting accounts of her trip. She left Edmonton (where she had received much kindness) on July 9th, was two days making the 100 miles to Athabasca Landing in a wagon, and camping out at night; spent the night of the 11th at the home of Bishop Young, of Athabasca. From July 12th to 19th she proceeded down the Athabasca River on the steamer "Athabasca." From the 19th to 25th was camped on Grand Rapid Island, where the stream on either side is so rapid that the freight has to be conveyed across to the island on a tramway. It was here that the wedding of the missionary. Mr. Weaver, to Miss Thompson, took place in the presence of Indians, sailors and several men of the North West police, Miss Marsh being the only other wo-man present, and fortunately having some fruit cake with her, which did nicely for a wedding cake. From here the happy couple returned to their mission at Wabiskaw. The next six days, from 25th to 30th, were spent in open boats (or scows) going down the rapids. Part of the trip at times was very exciting, and not a little dangerous, while some imes the scenery was beautiful, and occasionally a thunderstorm came to refresh or drench them. The men were often wet, but Miss Marsh was well protected with waterproofs and rubber boots, and every kindness was shown her by her fellow-travellers. At the time of kindness was shown her by her lellow-travellers. At the time of writing she was enjoying the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Lucas, the missionary at Chipewyan, and awaiting the arrival of the steamer, "Graham," which was to carry her a long way on her journey north. She expected to reach her brother's mission before the middle of September. God had graciously kept her so far on her journey, and had given her opportunities to witness for Him.

There is not as much as one missionary for every 500 towns in northern and western China.

In 1842 the number of communicants of Protestant churches in China was 6; in 1865, 2,000; and in 1892, 50,000.

Mr. Petter expects to leave about the 1st of December to work in the Diocese of Calgary. Many will miss him here, and will wish him richest blessings in his western home.

The collection for Domestic Missions in St. George's Church, Montreal, (on one Sunday in February last) amounted to \$2,500 in the morning and \$500 in the evening.

The Rev. Leo Williams has (we believe), been appointed to Lloydtown, where the Bishop had been for some time anxious to send a man .... Many regret his way had not been made plain to come to Lindsay, but they wish him every blessing in his new parish.

The Rev. P. T. Rowe, M.A., of Sault Ste. Marie, U.S., who has been selected by the House of Bishops of the Church in the United States as the bishop designate for Alaska, was a school-fellow of the rector's for several years. We wish him every blessing in his high and holy calling, and trust that he may receive all needed grace and strength to guide and sustain him in his arduous labours in that far northern land.

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Friday, 18th October, was a day rich in privilege at St. Paul's Church, being the day of the visit of Mr. Eugene Stock, editorial secretary of the C.M.S. The Rev. H P. Grubb was unavoidably prevented from being with us, but more information than could well be digested at once was given by Mr. Stock. In the afternoon a Bible reading was given, showing that the com-mand to evangelize the world was not only the last one given by the Lord Jesus, but also the only great work pressed upon the Church in all four Gospels and in the Acts of the Apostles. He also answered some of the objections made to mis-If Christ died for all men, then all men should be told of it; if he did not de for men, then Christianity is a lie, and not needed. The Lord's command is plain: "Make disciples of all nations" The ladies of the congregation kindly gave tea to those who were able to spend that time with us, of whom about 100 availed themselves of the opportunity, a number meeting Ioo availed themselves of the opportunity, a number meeting Mr. Stock and the visiting clergy. In the evening the school-house was well filled, and after singing, "Stand up, stand up for Jesus," and a prayer, part of Rom. x. was read by Rev. Mr. Shorey. Mr. Stock emphasized the verse, "The same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon Him," (ver. 12.) He showed how the cannibal Maoris of New Zealand had been changed by the power of the Gospel—its effect upon the African. He took his hearers with him to Ceylon, and told what he had seen there; also in India, how he had spoken in eventeen languages (through interpreters) to congregations called out of heathen darkness. He spoke of what an impressive sight it was to see over 1,000 dark faces listening to the glad tidings and to gather with 260 converts at the Lord's table. He touched on the work being done by the Christian schools in India, and also on the influence of newspapers edited by Christians there. May his words bring forth much fruit.